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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-September, through Sunday, 12th-September there were 213 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI

Eddie, VK4AN, will once again be active as 3D2A from Navua Village on Viti Levu Island

(OC-016) between October 27th and November 14th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will use a Flex-5000A radio with a laptop into DX88 vertical, 3-element tri-band beam and a sloper for 160/80/40m. QSL via VK4AN. Aisea, 3D2AA, will join Eddie and be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry.

8Q, MALDIVES

Steve, M0XVT, will be active as 8Q7SB from Komandoo Island, Lhaviyani Atoll (**AS-013**), between now and September 18th. Activity will be on 20/17 meters using a FT-817 and Yo-Yo antenna. All QSLs are to be sent via the Bureau to M0XVT.

A SUPERIOR GRIDS EXPEDITION WRAP-UP (And the OPDX Web Page is once again updated!)

OPDX's Webmaster John, K8YSE's, month long excursion around Lake Superior and points north came to an end on September 8th. He left on August 3rd, and his travel distance was slightly over 5000 miles, working in 32 grids on 168 satellite passes and made over 2000 QSOs. John plans to write an article for one of the magazines about his operation and camping trip around the lake, so be looking for it. Before John left he stated that he would try to keep the OPDX bulletins updated on the Web page, "if" he had access to WiFi. He was only able to find access once during his trip through the wilderness.

AFRICAN TOUR

Sigi, DL7DF, will once again lead a crew of operators for "two" (not just one) DXpeditions to Africa. The team of operators will operate from:

Rwanda (9X) - As 9X0SP between October 26th and November 2nd

Burundi (9U) - As 9U0A between November 2-11th.

Operators mentioned are: Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF, Rolf/DL7VEE and Frank/DL7UFR. Pilot station for this DXpedition is Bernd/DF3CB. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have several stations on the air with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. They will use 3 transceivers (3 x K2), 2 x XV600, 1 x TY900, 2 x 18m lowband vertical, a vertical for 40m, verticals for 30m, Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m and some beverage antennas. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the German DARC QSL Bureau. For more details and updates, visit:

http://www.dl7df.com/9x_9u/index.html

C5, THE GAMBIA (Update)

Members of the Czech and Slovak OM0C Contest Crew have announced another DXpedition to The Gambia to take place between November 17-30. They will be using renewed callsigns from their previous DXpedition, C50C or C52C used in The Gambia 2007, the greatest Slovak expedition of its kind ever. The special callsign C5A will be reserved for the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Multi-Multi entry. The team members of The Gambia 2010 DXpedition are: Rich OK8WW/OM2TW, Jiri/OK1RI, Joe/OM5AW, Norbert/OM6NM, Roman/OM2RA, Jiri/OK1DO, Lada/OK1DIX, Petr/OK1FFU and Vlada/OK1NY. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. The Gambia 2010 DXpedition will use various transceivers from Elecraft and Kenwood. They will set up 6 full time stations that can be used simultaneously in order to take advantage of all band openings. Most of the time they will use 4 stations only. The whole set up of 6 stations will be used during the CQWW CW Contest only. QSL Manager is

Brani, OM2FY. QSL by the Bureau or direct to: Branislav Daras, P.O.Box 6, SK-820 08 Bratislava 28, Slovak Republic. For more details and updates, visit their Web at:

http://www.om0c.com/?Gambia_2010_-_C5A

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update)

Operators David/GI4FUM (C91DJ), Gilli/GI8MIV (C91MV), Tony/G4LDL (C91DL), Glynys/G8KWD (C91KW), Dave/ZS6AVM (C91AV), Toni/ZS6GF (C91GF) and Daniel/ZS6JR (C91JR) will be active from the coastal resort of Bilene between October 15-31st. The group plans to be active in the "Jamboree on the Air" (October 16-17th) using the callsign C91MS (Mozambique Scouts). Also included in the activities is an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) using the callsign C91WW. Outside of these two events, operators will use their own individual callsigns. Most of the activity will be on SSB, although they may be able to do some CW, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL routes were not announced yet. For updates, visit:

<http://www.3da0ss.net>

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update)

Randy, N0TG, reports: "With only six weeks remaining (October 21-29th), the team has assembled most everything and shipped it to Halifax. Gary, VE1RGB, is organizing everything for its final destination. The Home page for our Web site has been updated to conveniently display the DXpedition's frequencies and QSL information." The CY0 DXpedition's Web site is at:

<http://www.CY0dxpedition.com>

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS (Update)

Chris, VK3FY, Team Leader/Public Affairs Person of DX0DX, reports the following on September 6th (edited):

"DXpedition Team Leader, Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY and DU8/VK3FY, has announced that Earth-Moon-Earth (EME) contacts are planned as part of the DX0DX activation of The Spratlys.

Also advised is latest external funding support that has been confirmed for the DXpedition that will involve some 30 radio amateurs in three teams on Thitu Island, January 6-24th, 2011.

In the latest news, experienced EME contester and DXpeditioner, Colin Brown, GM0RLZ, will be active on both 6m and 2m.

Chris VK3FY said, 'We are delighted to have Colin, GM0RLZ, join DX0DX so it can be propagated by bouncing signals off the lunar surface. He has filled a vacancy on DXpedition Team 2 (January 6-15th) and has the role of coordinating any requests for moon-rise and moon-set contact attempts.'

The equipment proposed is an ICOM IC-9100 transceiver, OM2006 6m amplifier, Commander 2m amplifier, with antennas being a 6M7 for 6m and 2M9 on 2m,

both by M2inc.

Chris, VK3FY, said all other plans for the DXpedition are continuing satisfactorily, and with 120 days to go, there's a lot of work yet to be done.

He said, 'Support for DX0DX is growing steadily and thank you to those who have already given financially or in other ways towards this major undertaking.'

The Team acknowledges funding it has from NCDXF, EUDXF, CDXC (Chiltern DX Club), East Iowa DX Association, GMDX Group, Western Washington DX Club W7DX and the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia. Other financial support has been received from individual radio amateurs Brad/WA6JJB, Paul/N6PSE, Marc/DO4DXA, Maurice/N4LZ, Vic/W4VIC, Ken/N5TY, Allan/VK2CA, Paul/VK2HV, Scotty/KG9Z, Clay/K7HC, Mitch/DJ0QN, Neill/K4ESE, Doyl/AB4IQ, William/K3WA, Billy/W3EL, Hans/SM0IMJ, Robert/W0ZT, Albert/ N8NN, Tom/N6AJR, Patricia/K7EIE, John/G3LZQ, and Tony/VK3VTH.

Support DX0DX: <http://www.dx0dx.net/2010/05/callsign-name.html>

The corporate sponsors to date are: ACOM International, Ham Radio Outlet, Heil Sound, ICOM America, ICOM Australia, Kabayan Online Grocery, M2 antenna systems, microHAM, Mosley, OM-Power, QRO Communications, Rohn Products, SteppIR, Spiderbeam, THAMWAY Corp, The RF Connection, Titanex and WX0B Array Systems.

Support has also been given by the IARU Region 3 member society Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA), DXWORLD, The Daily DX and ClubLog.

- Jim Linton VK3PC, Public Affairs DX0DX."

For more details about the 2011 January DX0DX DXpedition to Thitu Island in the Spratlys, visit:

<http://www.dx0dx.net.au>

DX MAGAZINE'S MOST WANTED SURVEY

It is that time again to participate in DX Magazine's annual "Most Wanted Survey". The 2010 survey is now being taken through October 15th. Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX" and "The DX Magazine" <http://www.dxpub.com/> reports that the survey form is available at:

http://www.dxpub.com/dx_survey2010.html

PLEASE NOTE: Carl states, "THIS IS NOT - REPEAT NOT - A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL DXCC COUNTRIES. However, if you need something that is not on the list, you may add it at the bottom of the survey form in the "Additions and Comments" box. Please pass the word to your DXer friends that the survey is up and running and will be there until OCTOBER 15th. The over- all top 100 will be posted on the Web site around January 15th, 2011."

DX-CODE OF CONDUCT

Robert, ST2AR/S53R, from Sudan, writes to OPDX and its reader about something that needs to be addressed as much as reporting a new one. It's about the operating ethics and practices. He

states, "A while ago a group of amateurs, DX-expeditioners, FOC members, etc.. (W6SJ, G3SXW, ON4WW, G3PTJ, ON4UN, N7NG, ZL2IFB, myself) have started to talk about the poor operating practices that are rather widespread today, especially when a rare one shows up on the bands. We have come up with a DX-Code that sets some basic but very important guidelines on how to best use your station and operating skills when trying to score a new one. The code is published at:

<http://dx-code.org>

We frankly thought it was time we all start addressing the ever growing problem of misbehavior on the amateur bands. Making amateurs aware of the problem and guide them on how to contribute to the cause, should be a good way forward. I am writing to you to seek your support on the above efforts." Robert suggests to look at the following Web page and learn more about how to operate and best use your operating skills to make it into the DX log, in away that is both efficient and follows the ethical standards of operating on the amateur bands. So please visit and become a supporter of the "DX-Code of Conduct" Web page at: <http://dx-code.org>

E2E, THAILAND (Update)

Charly, HS0ZCW/K4VUD, informs OPDX: "The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) has received permission from the radio governing body of Thailand to utilize the special callsign of E2E for use in any contest. There is no expiration. RAST will share the callsign with its members on a rotational basis. QSL to HS0AC, the OTHER RAST valid callsign."

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS

Operators Al/DJ5AA and Bernd/DL2DXA will be active as EA8/homecall from **La Palma (AF-004, WLOTA 1648)** between now and September 24th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters. They will also try to activate one or two lighthouses: Fuencaliente (ARLHS CAI-037, CAI-083) or Punta del Muro (ARLHS CAI-036). These activations will only be QRP using battery power. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

I1, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS

The "Worldwide Antarctic Program" (WAP) Web page is reporting (edited): "To commemorate the 35th anniversary of the Italian Explorer Renato Cepparo, a group of Italian students led by Prof. Geol. Julius Fabbri from the city of Trieste will leave next Dec. 2010 for a 'Didactic Project' in the South Shetland Islands (AN-010) following the 1976 trip of Renato Cepparo at the first Italian Giacomo Bove Camp (WAP ITA-02) set by Cepparo's Expedition at Italia Valley, Ezcurra inlet, Admiralty Bay on King George Island. The plan is to activate the old callsign I1SR (same as the 1976 Cepparo's Expedition) and place a commemorative plaque on the same place where Cepparo set the Giacomo Bove Camp and do some ecological studies, connected to the didactic program of the students. A Web site will be set up shortly at:

<http://www.adriantartica.it>

More information and updates will be published at the WAP Web site in due course." Gianni, I1HYW, is expected to show a presentation on the whole project during the next DCI-WAP meeting (to be held at Mondovi, Italy on Sept. 19th). For the unedited press release and pictures of the Giacomo Bove Camp, see:

<http://www.waponline.it/NewsInformation/tabid/178/Default.aspx>

IOTA NEWS

EU-008. Operators Simon/M0VKY, Brian/G0JKY, Drew/G7DMO and Graham/ 2E0VPT will be active as MS0RSD from the **Isle of Skye** (Grid Loc IO67tl, WAB NG45) between June 4-11th, 2011. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly SSB and PSK31. They will also be on 2 meters SSB on a Tuesday evening in the UKAC Contest. QSL via M0RSD, by the Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to eQSL.

EU-028. Guenter, DL3NBI, will be active as IA5/DL3NBI from **Giglio Island** (IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA 0564, WW Loc. JN52KI) in the Toscana Region Group between September 12-20th. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-028. Claudio, IZ0KRC, will be active as IA5/homecall from **Giglio Island** (IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA 0564, WW Loc. JN52KI), in the Province of Grosseto. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, as well as 6 meters, using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at:

<http://iz0krc.jimdo.com>

EU-038. Marcel, PD5MVH, will be active as PD5MVH/p on **Schiermonnikoog Island** (WLOTA L-2175) between September 13-25th. He will be on holiday. Activity will be on 40/20/10/2 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. SWL cards are welcome.

EU-038. Roland, DL1EAL, will be active as PA/DL1EAL from **Texel Island** (WLOTA LH 0043) between now and September 23rd. Activity will be "holiday style" on 80-10 meters using 100 watts and dipoles. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, LoTW or eQSL.

EU-057. Andreas, DL2AGB, will be active as DL2AGB/p from **Ruegen Island** (GIA O-007) between September 12-16th. QSL via his home call- sign.

EU-088. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as OZ0AV from **Laeso Island** (DIA NK-003, WLOTA 2820) from September 13-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands, mainly SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred, or via eQSL.

EU-125. Reiner, DK4VY, will be active as OZ/DK4VY/p from **Fanoe Island** (DIA NS-002) between September 12-17th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK and possibly CW, with 100 watts into a long-wire and G5RV. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-172. (UPDATE) Craig, VK4LDX, informs OPDX that he will be active as VK4LDX/P from **Fitzroy Island** between October 16-22nd. This IOTA hasn't been on the air since 2003. He will be on the island with his wife, so his activity will be holiday style. Craig will be running 100 watts into verticals and/or dipoles for 40/20/15 meters, using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. He will have a beachside cabin and will be setting up the antennas right on the beach. QSL info is available on QRZ.com and please visit the following Blog page for regular updates at:

<http://vk4ldxoc172.blogspot.com>

OC-295. (Update) Operators John/9M6XRO, Steve/9M6DXX, 9W6AMC, Lee/ 9W6LEE and

Gordon/G3USR plan to activate the rare IOTA island of **Pulau Sebatik** between September 24-27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, but with an emphasis on 40-15 meters. They will have two stations on the air with amplifiers using a HexBeam and verticals located directly above the sea water. Callsigns will be 9M6XRO/P on CW and 9M6DXX/P on SSB, and they hope to have both stations on the air during all the major openings to Europe and North America. OC-295 has only been claimed by 14.2% of IOTA participants having been activated just once before in July 2006. QSL both callsigns via M0URX, direct, by the Bureau, or LoTW. For more details and for a link to M0URX's online QSL request form for both direct and Bureau cards, go to:

<http://www.m0urx.com/sebatik.html>

OC-133. (Update) Operators John/9M6XRO, Steve/9M6DXX and Gordon/G3USR, will be active as 9M6XRO/p, 9M6DXX/p and 9M6/G3USR, respectively, from **Labuan Island** between October 5-8th, and possibly between 0000-0200z October 9th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have two stations with amplifiers on the air using a Hexbeam, verticals and a 160m Inverted-L very close to the ocean. QSL 9M6XRO/p and 9M6DXX/p via M0URX, and 9M6/G3USR via his home callsign.

ITUpSAT1 FIRST YEAR IN ORBIT CELEBRATION (Special Certification Activity)

The TAMSAT announced that the first Turkish built satellite, a CubeSat, the ITUpSAT1, will complete its first year in orbit on September 23rd, 2010. They would like to commemorate this very special day. As a token of remembrance for this day, everybody who tracks ITUpSAT1 and records its beacon signal on September 23rd and 24th, will be awarded with a "ITUpSAT1's First Year Celebration" certificate. Everybody who wants to participate in this activity has to send their beacon recordings and observation data to the Web address given below by filling in the form therein. After the verification of the ITUpSAT1 tracking records, the commemoration certificate will be sent to the senders E-mail address. Also one lucky participant, selected randomly among the participants, will be invited to visit ITU UUBF SSDTL and its facilities. They would like to thank everybody in advance for their support and participation in this special event. ITU Space Systems Design and Testing Laboratory (SSDTL):

<http://usl.itu.edu.tr/tr/index.php>

First Year Celebration ITUpSAT1 record E-mail address:

<http://usl.itu.edu.tr/en/takip-formu>

Note: All visit costs, except the interstate or intercity travel, of the randomly selected person will be covered by SSDTL for maximum of (2) days. For more information, see:

<http://www.tamsat.org.tr>

--- or E-mail--

bilgi@tamsat.org.tr

IZ8, ITALY (Lighthouse Op)

Oreste, IZ8EDJ, will activate the Agropoli Lighthouse (ARLHS ITA-185, WAIL CA-019) during the a lighthouse special event on September 26th. For more details, see the following Web page at:

JW, SVALBARD

Lars, SM4TUV, will be active as JW8XSA between September 14-22nd. Activity will be limited to his spare time, but he will try to be on 30 meters using PSK31. QSL via his home callsign. ADDED REMINDER (from [OPDX.972](#)): After this operation, Lars will be working for The Norwegian Polar Institute in the Antarctica starting November 2010. He will remain at the Norwegian Polar Research Station Troll, on Dronning Maud Land, until December 2011. Look for him to be active as 3Y8XSA.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For September 13-19th)

Sept 13	AN	SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Sept 14	AN	-----
Sept 15	AN	BN - Below Normal
Sept 16	AN	AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sept 17	AN	LN - Low Normal
Sept 18	AN	HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sept 19	AN-HN	DIS - Disturbed
		VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

K6, UNITED STATES (Special Event)

Mark, KM6HB, for the 6th straight year will operate as special event station, K6P, between September 17-19th. Activity is to commemorate "National POW-MIA Recognition Day". Suggested SSB frequencies are: 3785, 7250, 14253 and 18150 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL will be a 2 part picture card. QSL via KM6HB: Mark McMullen, P.O. Box 27271, Santa Ana, California 92799, USA.

MJ, JERSEY (EU-013)

Craig, K3PLV, will be active as MJ/K3PLV between September 14-22nd. Activity will be on 16010 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

MJ & MU, JERSEY AND GUERNSEY

Kasimir, DL2SBY, informs OPDX that he will be active from the Channel Islands during the following dates:

October 7-9th: From Jersey as MJ/DL2SBY

October 9-16th: From Guernsey as MU/DL2SBY

Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be some activity on 6 and 2 meters. He states his equipment will be a TS2000 and FT900AT, using a ACOM 1010 amp into a HF9V antenna. He will have a yagi for 6m and 2m. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see [\(QRZ.com\)](#)).

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES WILL BREAK-UP (It's Official - Dutch Antilles sign declaration reforming their status)

"Radio Netherlands Worldwide" reports: "Delegations from the Dutch Antilles signed a declaration today (September 9th) in 'The Hague' today reforming the status of these five former Dutch island colonies in the Caribbean.

As of 10 October 2010, the Dutch Antilles will cease to exist as a country. Curacao and St. Maarten will become separate countries within the Kingdom of the Netherlands, while Bonaire, Saba and St. Eustatius will become special Dutch municipalities. Aruba already had a separate status. The ceremony was attended by Prince Willem-Alexander and Deputy Kingdom Relations Minister Ank Bijleveld and caretaker Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende.

The prime minister called the declaration 'a new chapter'. The intensive process which has taken five years is supposed to give the larger islands more autonomy."

(From the RNW Web page at: <http://www.rnw.nl/english/bulletin/dutch-antilles-sign-declaration-reforming-their-status>)

So What Does This Mean For DXer? Just another step closer for new DXCC entities. Now that it is official that the Netherlands Antilles will be dissolving, "maybe" we will hear something from the DXCC desk before the date October 10th. Remember, to be added to the "DXCC List" as a "Political Entity", it must meet one or more of the following criteria:

A) The entity is a UN Member State.

B) The entity has been assigned a ITU callsign prefix block.

C) The entity must be listed on either the "U.S. Department of State" or the United Nation's list of "non self- governing territories."

As we have seen in the past, it is not a new one until the DXCC says so....

PC75, THE NETHERLANDS (WFF Op)

Fred, PA0FAW, will be active as PC75HV from the "Hoge Veluwe" National Park (FF-PA-005) between October 1-28th. Activity will be on mostly CW and the Digital modes but with some SSB. QSL via PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau or e-QSL (SWLs are OK). Fred is an ISWL Member, so if worked or heard, can be counted for the ISWL Monitor Award.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Geoff, W0CG, will be active once again as PJ2DX from the PJ2T Signal Point Station on Curacao ([SA-006](#), WLOTA LH-0942) between now and September 23rd. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via W0CG direct or via N9AG for a Bureau QSL.

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Operators Rich/K3RWN, Larry/AB3ER, Steve/KB3EYY, Bob/KG3F and Bob/K3RMB will activate PJ2S during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 25-26th). Operations will take place from the PJ2T Signal Point Station on Curacao ([SA-006](#), WLOTA LH-0942). QSL via K3MJW or LoTW.

PJ6, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (Update)

Two teams, comprised mostly of members of the Southeastern DX Club (SEDXC), will operate from the Island of Saba ([NA-145](#), Grid Square is FK87) over a two week period beginning

October 9th and ceasing operations on October 22nd. The operators mentioned are:

Week 1 (October 9-15th): Dave/K4SSU, Bob/K4UEE, Ralph/K0IR, Don/N4HH, Bill/N4NX, Steve/VE7CT, Chaz/W4GKF, and Gregg/W6IZT

Week 2 (October 16-22nd): Bob/K4UEE, Tim/K5AC, Wey/K8EAB, Wayne/KU4V, Hal/N4GG, Gordon/N4LR, Steve/VE7CT and Ralph/VE7XF

The frequencies for this operation is not published yet. The reason given: "Since there will be several DXpedition operations on the air from the area, we expect that all will coordinate before the fact to minimize interference. We expect to publish our frequencies before we are QRV." QSL info is as follows:

They intend to upload logs frequently from the island directly to LoTW.

If you want a QSL card, they are available three ways:

- * OQRS DIRECT
- * OQRS BUREAU
- * DIRECT MAIL WITH 44¢ SASE/\$\$\$/IRC(S)

-- But please, use only ONE of the ways to save us a lot of extra work. Should you choose to QSL directly to N4NX via direct mail, send your QSO information and SASE to: Saba DXpedition 2010, Bill N4NX, 355 Westerhall Court, Atlanta GA 30328-1233

For more info/details and updates, please visit the "Activating Saba 2010" Web page at:

<http://www.saba2010.com>

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN (Update)

Operators Joe/W8GEX and Craig/K9CT the co- leaders for the upcoming St. Maarten DXpedition (**NA-105**) are pleased to announce that they have been granted permission to use PJ7E for their 10 day operation scheduled to begin on October 10th. All indications are that St. Maarten will become a "New One." The team is looking forward to working everyone. Plans for the operation are going just fine. Their container with all the equipment will be leaving port soon.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated September 12th)

4H1S via DU1EE	EH1SDC via EA1AUM	MD0XVL via OE3GEA
5B/G3RWF via G3RWF	EH8SDC via EA1AUM	N1Y via W2SBL
9H0VRZ via PB9ZR	EH9SDC via EA1AUM	OF50RR via OH8DR
9H3YM via PE1OFJ	EM0ITU via UT3UZ	OM/HF200CHOPIN via SQ1DWR
A51A via JA1TRC	EN1UCF/P via UR7UT	PA35BQC via PA1AT
A65BG via PA7FM	EX9BB via EX2A	RN7G/UF6V via RN7G
A65BI via SM5DJZ	GB70BRS via G8BHC	RX3F/UF3V via RX3F (ex RX3FS)
A71/JY5FX via JY5FX	H74LEON via TI4SU	SM/DL1EBR via DL1EBR
AM8RHG via EA8CNB	HI3/W1JNZ via W1JNZ	SM/HG5XA via MOXXA
BW/DL3OCH via DL3OCH	HK6K via EA5KB	SN140MPR via SP9KDU
BW2/W3FO via JH0CEO	II1CC via IZ4SUC	SV5/ON5CT/P via ON5CT
CM2IR via EB7DX	IQ3QC via IN3RXG	SX25JMF via SV1JMF
CM3RPN via EB7DX	IR0ROMA via IK0LZR	TA2/DL2JRM via DL2JRM

CX/PY3VK via PY2WC	ISO/DL8JJ/M via DL8JJ	TA4CW via F8CVR
DA0KOLPING via DJ6SI (Bureau)	ISO/11ASU/P via 11ASU	TF/DF1LON via DF1LON
EG3SDC via EA1AUM	ISO/IW3RPW via IW3RPW	TK/DL4FF via DL4FF
EG5WFF via EB5HRX	K0FRI/KH2 via JA3FRI	TK/F1JRD/P via F1JRD
EG7SDC via EA1AUM	K8H via K8EBB	TM5BATZ via F5IRC
EG9SDC via EA1AUM	LY500PT via LY1CG	W1W via W1ATV

QSL A51A via direct to: P.O.Box 8, Ooiso, Kanagawa 259-0111, JAPAN. Also, QSL by the Bureau to: JA1TRC. Activity took place this past week between September 7-12th. Operators were: JA1TRC, JJ1LIB and JH1AJT.

Toshi, JA1ELY, announced this past week that as of September 1st, **addresses for JA stations** which are JARL members can be found at the new "JARL Member Search" Web site at:

<https://www.jarl.com/jarlorjp/security/loginsrchuni.php>

PX8J & PX8L QSL STATUS. Ciro, PY7ZY, reports that the QSL cards for PX8J and PX8L are now being processed. The first batch will go out on September 15th, and then on September 30th, all of QSLs received will be sent. Also, starting on September 15th, you can check the progress of your QSL on:

<http://www.px8j.com>

Any problem, please contact Ciro, PY7ZY at: xavier.py7zy@gmail.com

NEED A QSL MANAGER? Kire, Z33BMW, is volunteering his services as a QSL Manager to any DX stations in the world. If you are interested in having a QSL Manager, contact Kire via his E-mail address at: z33bmw@yahoo.com

QSLs VIA LoTW: None reported this week!

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 8Q7DV, 9U4T, A92IO, MU0FAL, OV1CDX, OZ1CTK, TL0A, UK8FF, V48M, VP8DMH, YV5ESN, ZS10WCS, ZS8M and ZX8W

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: None reported this week!

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE

Operators Ulli/DD2ML, Jurgen/DF1AL, Klaus- Dieter/DK1AX, Rene/DL2JRM, Rolf/DL7VEE, Sid/DM2AYO and Harry/DM5TI are planning for DXpedition to take place next year between February 3-17th. Callsign will be S9DX and activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL1RTL. A Web page is currently under construction at:

<http://s9dx.hkmann.de>

SPECIAL EVENT (Highway to a DX Party!)

The Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club of San Bernardino, California, will host (probably one of the most fun special event activities) the 11th annual "Route 66 On The Air" special event between September 11-19th. The purpose of this event is to offer amateur radio operators a fun way to "Relive the Ride" of their own memories of Route 66, and to celebrate the highway's 84th anniversary. The U.S. Highway 66 established in 1926, was the first major improved highway to link the west coast with the nations heartland. Through stories, songs, and TV

shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America. Look for the following 20 stations (three are rovers) operating in or around the major cities along the old "Route 66" from Santa Monica, California, to Chicago, Illinois:

Stations	City	Club
W6A	Santa Monica, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6B	Los Angeles, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6C	San Bernardino, CA	Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club
W6D	Victorville, CA	Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club
W6E	Barstow, CA	Barstow Amateur Radio Club
W6F	Kingman, AZ	Hualapai Amateur Radio Club
W6G	Flagstaff, AZ	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6H	Albuquerque, NM	New Mexico Amateur Radio Alliance
W6I	Amarillo, TX	Chapter 141, QCWA
W6J	Elk City, OK	Western Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club
W6K	Oklahoma City, OK	W6K Oklahoma City
W6L	Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Amateur Radio Club
W6M	Riverton, KS	Valley Center Amateur Radio Club
W6N	Joplin, MO	Joplin Amateur Radio Club
W6O	Lebanon, MO	Lebanon Amateur Radio Club
W6P	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis Amateur Radio Club
W6Q	Chicago, IL	Six Meter Club of Chicago

ROVER STATIONS

W6R	ROVER 1	Harry S. Rouse & Steve Hammer
W6S	ROVER 2	Glen Kesselring
W6T	ROVER 3	Northern Arizona DX Association

Special event stations are expected to be found in the vicinity of the following frequencies. (Look for digital modes in the standard band segments for such mode) All frequencies +/- QRM:

CW - 3533, 7033, 10110, 14033, 18080, 21033, 24900, 28033 and 50033 kHz

SSB - 3866, 7266, 14266, 18164, 21366, 24966, 28466 and 50166 kHz

Digi - 3580, 7070, 10140, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz

R66 MOBILE Operations - Any amateurs operating while actually driving along Route 66 during the special event period are encouraged to take part in "Route 66 On The Air", by using the designation "mobile 66" for SSB or "/m66" for CW after their callsigns. All other amateur radio operators are welcome to contact these mobile operators.

REPEATERS - Some of the participating clubs will also be operating this event from their local VHF/UHF repeaters. Check the ARRL repeater guide for possible repeater frequencies, if you're in the local area.

Each participating club will issue their own QSL card commemorating this event. QSL information is available on the Web at:

<http://www.w6jbt.org/Route66OTAEvent/General%20Pages/QSL%20Information.htm>

For more details about the event and the certificate that is available, please visit the "Route 66 OTA Site" at:

<http://www.w6jbt.org/Route66OTAEvent/Index.htm>

T8, PALAU

Nob, JA1FMZ, will be active as T88OM from the **Island of Palau (OC-009)** between October 27th and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 20-10 meters using SSB, but he also plans to participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st). QSL via his home callsign, direct (see QRZ.com), LoTW or e-QSL. Visit his Blog page at:

<http://DXvacation.com>

TC6, TURKEY (Lighthouse Op)

Members of TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity Team) and GITRAD, in collaboration with Coastal Safety Administration, will activate Civa Burnu Lighthouse (ARLHS TUR-002) in the Samsun area for the first time during the weekend of September 25-26th. The callsign will be TC6CLH. Activity will be on all HF bands, but mostly on 40 and 20 meters. QSL by the Bureau or via TA1HZ, but please read the info on the TCSWAT Web site:

<http://www.tcswat.org>

TCSWAT does QSL 100%, so you do not need to send any direct requests. The TCSWAT sends out all the cards to the countries' QSL Bureaus during the Friedrichshafen Messe at the end of June and at the beginning of January. Please be patient and let your country's QSL Bureau do the work for you! For details about the Lighthouse, see:

<http://www.qrz.com/db/TC6CLH>

TS7, TUNISIA (Update/IOTA Op)

An Italian team of operators will activate the Tunisian Islands of Plane (AF-091) and Kuriat (AF-092) as TS7TI and TS7TI/p between September 13-23rd. Operations will be from the fixed base at Raf Raf and Monastir using the club stations 3V8ST, 3V8SA and 3V8SQ. Operators mentioned are: Alfredo/IK7JWX, Leopoldo/I8LWL, Simon/IZ7ATN, Paolo/IK7UXW, and Ivo/9A3A (CW op). Activity will be on all bands HF, WHF, VHF and 6m, using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. During their activity they will also activate some wanted WFF/VFF and lighthouse reference numbers, and the most wanted grid square JM57 as well as other grid squares. They are currently seeking sponsors/supporters for this DX-pedition. QSL Manager is I8LWL. For updated news and a online log, go to:

<http://www.i8lwl.it>

V6, MICRONESIA

Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX), Keiichiro/JA7GYP (V63T) and Masahiko/JA7EPO (V63EPO) will be active from **Pohnpei Island (OC-010)** between October 29th and November 4th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns. The group will also be an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as V6B. QSL via JA7HMZ.

VP9, BERMUDA

Les, N1SV, will be operating as VP9/N1SV from **Bermuda (NA-005)** this year for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st). He informs OPDX, "I may also be on the air the day before the contest as well". QSL via his home callsign.

XV, VIETNAM

After his African tour (see above), Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine on **Phu Quoc Island (AS-128)** between November 26th and December 6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Sigi's equipment will consists of a transceivers K2, a XV600, some lowband verticals and dipoles, a HF9V, and some beverage antennas. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the German DARC QSL Bureau.

YN, NICARAGUA

Jeff, N6GQ, will be active as YN2AA from Grenada, Nicaragua, between October 27th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters and will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st). Jeff tells OPDX that he will be using a K3 radio and 1 KW amp into the following antennas: a Tribander, 2 element 40m beam, wires and beverages for 80/160m. QSL via NN3W, by the Bureau or direct. U.S. stations, please send SASE; DX stations, please send SAE with GS or IRC. Bureau service will take time. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW.

Z2, ZIMBABWE

Bob, AC7GP, will be active as Z2/AC7GP between September 30th and November 1st, while visiting his son in Harare. Activity will take place mainly between Monday through Friday. Operations will be on SSB, RTTY and PSK31, using 100 watts into simple dipole antennas. Bob does plan to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st). QSL via his home callsign.



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